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SUBJECT: CANADA-MEXICO MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE MEETING IN
MEXICO CITY, JANUARY 28-29

REF: OTTAWA A-27, JANUARY 21

1. EXTERNAL AFFAIRS SECRETARY MITCHELL SHARP AND TREASURY BOARD PRESIDENT CHARLES DRURY WILL BE IN MEXICO CITY JANUARY 28-29 TO TAKE PART IN THE SECOND CANADA-MEXICO MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE MEETING WITH MEXICAN COUNTERPARTS. INDUSTRY, TRADE AND COMMERCE MINISTER ALASTAIR GILLESPIE WILL ARRIVE JANUARY 24 WITH BUSINESS GROUP (REF AIRGRAM) AND REMAIN FOR COMMITTEE MEETING.

2. THE DECISION TO CREATE SUCH A BILATERAL COMMITTEE AT THE LEVEL OF MINISTERS CAME AS A RESULT OF THE CANADIAN LATIN AMERICAN MINISTERIAL MISSION OF 1968.

3. THE FIRST SESSION OF THE COMMITTEE MET IN OTTAWA IN OCTOBER 1971. FOLLOWING THE STATE VISIT OF PRESIDENT ECHEVERRIA TO CANADA LAST SPRING, IT WAS AGREED THAT
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PREPARATION FOR THE SECOND SESSION OF THE COMMITTEE

WOULD BE HELD IN MEXICO CITY.

4. IN ANNOUNCING SHARP'S VISIT, EXTAFF SAID "THE MINISTERS WILL DISCUSS A VARIETY OF CURRENT INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL PROBLEMS IN WHICH BOTH COUNTRIES HAVE A COMMON INTEREST, AS WELL AS SPECIFIC BILATERAL TOPICS INCLUDING TRADE, INVESTMENT POLICY, TOURISM, CULTURAL AFFAIRS AND IMMIGRATION."

5. THE ACCOMPANYING BACKGROUND SHEET NOTED INTER ALIA THAT:

"CANADA AND MEXICO, AS IMPORTANT COASTAL STATES, SHARE A COMMON INTEREST AND CONCERN IN DISCUSSIONS ON THE LAW OF THE SEA AND HAVE WORKED CLOSELY TO RESOLVE OUTSTANDING INTERNATIONAL PROBLEMS. MORE PARTICULARLY, MEXICO HAS BEEN PROMOTING THE CONCEPT OF THE 'PATRIMONIAL SEA', WHICH IS CLOSE TO THE POSITION FAVOURED BY CANADA, I.E. THAT OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF LIMITED FORMS OF JURISDICTION FOR LIMITED PURPOSES, AS OPPOSED TO THE ADVANCEMENT OF ACQUISITIVE CLAIMS OVER OFFSHORE AREAS. ON DECEMBER 29, 1972, CANADA BECAME ONE OF THE FIRST NATIONS TO SIGN THE 'CONVENTION ON THE PREVENTION OF MARINE POLLUTION BY DUMPING OF WASTES AND OTHER MATTER AT SEA' IN MEXICO CITY AND TOOK PART IN THE FIRST NATIONAL CONGRESS ON ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS HELD IN THE MEXICAN CAPITAL, JANUARY 14-19, 1973. BOTH NATIONS WILL TAKE AN ACTIVE ROLE IN THE INTERNATIONAL LAW OF THE SEA CONFERENCE IN CARACAS, NEXT JULY."

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